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FOR MAKING TRANSPARENT POLYMER SUBSTRATES, RESULTING

TRANSPARENT POLYMER SUBSTRATES AND USES THEREOF IN OPTICS" -

Gilles Richard et al.

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- Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance; (2)
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COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Sir:

This paper is being submitted in response to the Notice of Allowance issued on April 22, 2004. Payment of the issue fee is due on July 22, 2004. The Issue Fee is also being paid along with the submission of this document.

A. Applicants' Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

Applicants agree with the Examiner that the subject matter of present claims 26-53 should be allowed over the art that is of record. Applicants note, however, that the Examiner's

Statement of Reasons for Allowance ("the Statement") appears to mischaracterize the presently claimed invention. The Statement recites: "Prior art of record, taken alone or in combination, do not fairly suggest or disclose the presently claimed composition comprising monomers (I), (II), and (III)" The Statement, page 2 (emphasis added). Independent claims 26, 48, and 50, by contrast, do not include a monomer (III) limitation. Dependent claims 39-46 introduce the monomer (III) limitation. Applicants would also like to add that the art that is of record in this case does not anticipate the present claims nor does it establish a *prima facie* case of obviousness.

For at least these reasons, Applicants believe that the present claims are patentable over the art made of record in this case. Should the Examiner have any question or comments regarding this communication, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned attorney at (512) 536-3035.

B. Conclusion

Applicants submit that in light of the foregoing remarks, present claims 26-53 are allowable. Applicants request that the present claims be allowed to proceed to issuance.

No fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 are believed to be due in connection with the instant paper; however, should the Commissioner determine otherwise, please consider this paragraph such a request and authorization to withdraw the appropriate fee from Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/ESSR:061USC1.

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